House Resolution No. 126

Whereas, John O. "Pat" Phelps of Carthage, Missouri, has been chosen to receive the Carthage Chamber of Commerce's Richard M. Webster Citizen of the Year award, an impressive accolade which honors the memory of the late Senator from Carthage who served in the Missouri Senate from 1962 until his death in March of 1990; and

Whereas, Pat Phelps was most deservedly selected for this honor, which he will receive during the Carthage Chamber of Commerce Banquet on January 21, 2005, in recognition of his exemplary community service and leadership in Carthage; and

Whereas, a retired Trust Officer with UMB Bank, Pat Phelps first distinguished himself as a graduate of Harvard University and the University of Missouri Law School; and

Whereas, Pat Phelps, a lifelong resident of Carthage, has also enjoyed recognition by being a veteran of the United States Military, a local housing developer, a Meals on Wheels volunteer, an active participant in historic preservation efforts, and a member of one of the most giving families in Carthage; and

Whereas, Pat Phelps is a zealous member of the Carthage Chamber of Commerce, the Carthage R-IX Board of Education, the Jasper County Association for Social Services, and the Knights of Columbus, and a former member of the Missouri Southern State University Board of Regents; and

Whereas, a recipient of the Missouri Hospital Association's Excellence in Governance Award, Pat Phelps has provided leadership as a member and past President of Rotary International of Carthage, former member and officer of the Powers Museum Board, and longtime trustee of the McCune-Brooks Hospital Board; and

Whereas, Pat Phelps has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Carolyn Phelps; his children, Carolyn Kyriakidis, Alison Holman, and William Phelps; and his grandchildren, Jonathan, Stephen, Patrick, Rebekah, and Caroline Holman, and Lexie and Theo Kyriakidis:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join the Carthage Chamber of Commerce in expressing our most sincere appreciation to Pat Phelps for his unparalleled gifts of time and talent to others and in extending our most hearty congratulations and best wishes at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for John O. "Pat" Phelps.

Offered by	
_	Representative Steve Hunter
	District No. 127

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 126, adopted January 13, 2005.